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Currently, legislation is pending in the California Legislature that will codify Accessible Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail standards. The Secretary of State is seeking input from interested parties regarding this legislation. Therefore, the Secretary of State requests written comments from the public regarding the AVVPAT standards, particularly pertaining to the use of the paper record copy for the 1% manual recount and any full manual recount.

The Legislature's schedule necessitates that all comments be received by the Secretary of State **no later than June 24, 2005,** in order for them to be considered prior to the final opportunity to testify on the bills.

Comments should be addressed to Constituent Affairs in the Secretary of State's Executive Division at 1500 11th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Comments may also be sent via fax to 916-653-9675 or via email to constituentaffairs@ss.ca.gov.

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